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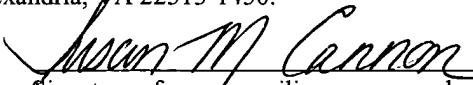
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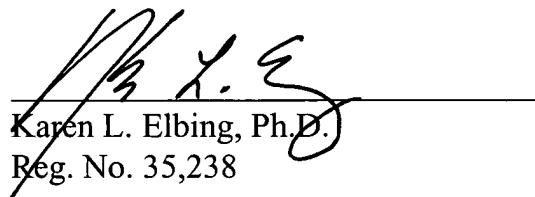
REPLY TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

In reply to the Restriction Requirement that was mailed in connection with the above-captioned case on January 5, 2006, Applicants elect the invention of Group 1869, claim 14, directed to a method of identifying a candidate compound that modulates fat metabolism by use of a microarray. The election is made without traverse.

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Respectfully submitted,

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